

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Unincorporated Communities (AS 37.05.317)****Grant Recipient: Venetie****Project Title:**

## Venetie - Health Care Clinic Project

**State Funding Requested: \$ 150,000**  
One-Time Need**House District: 6 - C****Brief Project Description:**

Venetie Village Council is working with the Denali commission and ANTHC to plan for a New Health Clinic which has an estimated total development cost estimate of \$1,450,852.

**Funding Plan:****Total Cost of Project: \$1,450,852**

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Denali Commission			\$1,160,682	09		
Rasmuson Foundation			\$140,170	09		
Total			\$1,300,852			

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The Venetie Health Care Clinic Project will provide modern facility space for important Villages health services to the residents of Venetie. This new facility will replace the 20 year old log cabin which is recommended to be replaced by the Denali Commission's "Code and Conditions" survey of it.

**Project Timeline:**

Project will begin in the Spring of 2009.

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Venetie Village Council

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Venetie Village Council  
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February 10, 2008

Honorable Representative Woodie Salmon  
State Capital – Room 114  
Juneau, Ak. 99801-1182

RE: Legislative CIP Funding Request

Dear Representative Salmon,

I am writing on behalf of Venetie Village Council to request that you assistance to gain a \$150,000 Legislative CIP appropriation for use to provide part of the required 20% cash match (\$290,170) for our planned new health care clinic project estimated to cost \$1,450,852 (see attached cost estimate). As shown in the attached CIP description, we will be submitting a Denali Commission funding application in the amount of \$1,160,682 which requires a 20% cash match (\$290,170) and construction will start Spring, 2009. We will also be requesting a \$140,170 Rasmuson grant to meet the remainder of the required 20% match. It is important to realize that the requested CIP is needed this year in order to demonstrate to the Denali Commission that Venetie Village Council has its 20% match requirement.

The Venetie Health Care Clinic Project will provide modern facility space for important Villages health services to Venetie residents and is the Council's number one priority. I have attached a description of the project. Thank you for consideration of this important project for Venetie Village Council.

Sincerely,



First Chief

Attachment: Venetie Health Care Clinic Project CIP Request Description

# Construction Cost Estimate - Force Account Project

20-Aug-07

Project: Clinic

Community: Venetie

Design Project Number: AN 02-G57

Performance Period: Summer 2009

Size (s.f.)

2,068

Population (2006)

224

	Quantity	Units	Rate	Total	\$/s.f	Comments
9 Construction						
10 Construction Cost Estimate (2003) Div 01 - 11	1	ls	\$ 386,975.00	\$ 386,975	\$ 187	
11 General Requirements - Mobilization	1	ls	\$ 120,500.00	\$ 120,500	\$ 58	
12 Escalation to 2005	2	hrs	6%	\$ 60,897	\$ 29	
13 Canopy Option	1	ls	\$ 1,396.00	\$ 1,396	\$ 1	
14 EMS/Morgue Option	1	ls	\$ 6,516.00	\$ 6,516	\$ 3	
15 Secondary Behavioral Health Option	1	ls	\$ 4,438.00	\$ 4,438	\$ 2	
16 Estimator's Contingency	3%		\$ 580,722.00	\$ 17,422	\$ 8	
17 Subtotal				\$ 598,144	\$ 289	
18 Adjustments						
19 Inflation	3	hrs	24%	\$ 430,664	\$ 208	
20 Survey	1	ls	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000	\$ 5	
21 Subtotal				\$ 1,067,184	\$ 516	
22 Fixtures Furnishings & Equipment (FFE)	1	ls	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 85,000	\$ 41	
23 Medical Equipment	1	ls	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 110,000	\$ 53	
24 Total				\$ 1,262,184	\$ 610	M-CL
25						
26 Construction Administration						
27 Project Management						
28 QA/QC Travel & On-Site time	160	hrs	\$ 80.00	\$ 12,800	\$ 6	
29 Trip Reports & Progress Reports	30	ea	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,000	\$ 1	
30 Coordination with Owner	200	hrs	\$ 100.00	\$ 20,000	\$ 10	
31 Coordination with Contractors	200	hrs	\$ 100.00	\$ 20,000	\$ 10	
32 Coordination with Equipment Vendors	300	hrs	\$ 100.00	\$ 30,000	\$ 15	
34 Coordination with A/E	80	hrs	\$ 100.00	\$ 8,000	\$ 4	
35 Contract Management/Pay Requests	175	hrs	\$ 80.00	\$ 14,000	\$ 7	
36 Inspections	64	hrs	\$ 135.00	\$ 8,640	\$ 4	
37 Warranty Work	80	hrs	\$ 120.00	\$ 9,600	\$ 5	
38 Warranty Inspection	32	hrs	\$ 120.00	\$ 3,840	\$ 2	
39 Subtotal				\$ 129,880	\$ 63	
39 Projects All	1321	hrs	\$ 10.00	\$ 13,210	\$ 6	
40 Corporate Indirect			8.0%	\$ 10,390	\$ 5	
41 DEHE Indirect			18.7%	\$ 24,288	\$ 12	
42 Travel	10	trips	\$ 850.00	\$ 8,500	\$ 4	
43 Per Diem	10	days	\$ 120.00	\$ 1,200	\$ 1	
44 A/E DCVR	8	hrs	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,200	\$ 1	
45 Total				\$ 188,668	\$ 91	M-CB
46						
47 TOTAL				\$ 1,450,852	\$ 702	

## FUNDING SOURCES

51 Denali Commission ANTHC Oversight	\$ 188,668
52 Denali Commission	\$ 972,014
53 Subtotal Denali Commission Award	\$ 1,160,682
54 Match #1 - Legislative CIP	\$ 150,000
55 Match #2 - Resmuson Foundation	\$ 140,170
56 TOTAL	\$ 1,450,852
57	
58 Overage/(Deficit) Funding	\$

# Venetie Village Council Legislative Capital Improvement Project Funding Request Venetie Health Care Clinic

## CIP Funding Request

Venetie Village Council (VVC) is working with the Denali Commission and the ANTHC to plan for a new 2068 s.f. primary health care which has an estimated total development cost estimate of \$1,450,852. VVC expects to receive 80% funding from the Denali Commission in the amount of \$1,160,682 leaving a 20% balance that VVC must provide. As a result, VVC is requesting a \$150,000 Legislative Capital Improvement Project (CIP) appropriation to provide match funding to obtain a Denali Commission Health Facilities Grant and VVC will be requesting \$140,170 from the Rasmuson Foundation grant for the purpose of constructing the planned Venetie Health Care Clinic. The planned Venetie Health Care Clinic will provide a "one-stop" primary health care services facility for the residents of Venetie (224 population). The planned new building will be designed to house the following health care services:

- Primary health care clinic
- Behavioral health services program
- Dedicated dental room

The planned Venetie Health Care Clinic will provide useful facility space at the least cost by replacing the existing 20 year old existing log clinic building which is inferior, too small, energy inefficient and has been recommended for replacement by the Denali Commission's "Code and Conditions" survey of it. The planned new health care clinic will provide the following spaces:

Purpose	Room Space	Total Space
1) 2 each CHAP/Itinerant Exam Rooms	=	290 sq. ft.
2) 1 each Behavioral Health Room	=	188 sq. ft.
2) Clinic Waiting Room	=	163 sq. ft.
3) Clinic Office	=	165 sq. ft.
4) Dental Room	=	155 sq. ft.
5) 2 each Unisex/Handicapped Toilets	=	210 sq. ft.
6) Janitor Closet	=	40 sq. ft.
7) Pharmacy Area	=	55 sq. ft.
8) Mechanical/Electrical	=	70 sq. ft.
9) Itinerant Quarters/kitchen/laundry	=	230 sq. ft.
10) Hallways/Arctic Entry/Morgue	=	502 sq. ft.

Total Space: 2,068 sq. ft.

## Community Profile

Venetie is located on the north side of the Chandalar River, 45 miles northwest of Fort Yukon. The Chandalar River is ice-free from the end of May through mid-September. Known to early explorers as Old Robert's Village or Chandalar Village, Venetie was founded in 1895 by a man named Old Robert who chose Venetie because of its plentiful fish and game. In 1899, the U.S. Geological Survey noted about 50 Natives living on the Chandalar, some in small settlements of cabins about 7 miles above the mouth of the River, but most in the mountainous part of the country beyond the Yukon Flats. In 1905, Venetie was a settlement of a half a dozen cabins and 25 or 30 residents. In 1943, the Venetie Indian Reservation was established, due to the combined efforts of the residents of Venetie, Arctic Village, Christian Village and Robert's Fish Camp, who worked together to protect their land for subsistence use. At about this same time, a school was established at Venetie, encouraging additional families to settle in the village. Eventually an airstrip, post office and store were built. When the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) was passed in 1971, Venetie and Arctic Village opted for title to the 1.8 million acres of land in the former Reservation, which they own as tenants in common through the Native Village of Venetie Tribal Government.

Venetie Village Council is the sole local governmental unit at Venetie. The population of the community consists of 96.5% Alaska Native or part Native. Venetie is comprised largely of descendants of the Neets'ai Gwich'in, and to a lesser extent the Gwichyaa and Dihaii Gwich'in. Village. Subsistence activities are an important part of the local culture. During the 2000 U.S. Census, total housing units numbered 79. U.S. Census data for Year 2000 showed 44 residents as employed. The unemployment rate at that time was 36.23 percent, although 69.44 percent of all adults were not in the work force. The median household income was \$21,000, per capita income was \$7,314, and 42.79 percent of residents were living below the poverty level.

Water is derived from a well near the Chandalar River, then is treated and stored in a tank. Residents haul water and honey buckets. Currently, 8 homes have functioning plumbing. A flush/haul system is under construction in Venetie; 6 homes are currently served. The Stanley Frank Washeteria and Water Treatment Plant were recently completed. It uses a small solar power system to provide some electricity. Electricity is provided by Venetie Village Electric. There is one school located in the community, attended by 44 students. The Myra Roberts Clinic (907-849-8712) primary local primary health care. Venetie is classified as a distressed community by the Denali Commission.

Venetie is heavily dependent on subsistence. Salmon, whitefish, moose, caribou, bear, waterfowl and small game provide meat sources. Most employment is through the school, clinic, post office, store and Village Council. The National Guard has used Venetie as a cold weather survival training school. BLM employs residents as fire fighters seasonally. The Village is interested in developing a small mill to process local lumber for housing and other projects, and in tourism promotion. Cabins manufactured from local logs could house visitors, developing arts and crafts activities, cultural activities and a museum.

Access to Venetie is almost exclusively by air. The Venetie Tribal Council owns and operates the 4,100' long by 65' wide dirt/gravel airstrip. The Chandalar River provides access by boat from May to October, but there is no barge service, due to shallow water. Motor bikes, 4-wheelers, snowmobiles and dog teams are used for local travel.

### **Needs Statement**

Venetie's existing clinic was built in 1988 utilizing locally harvested logs. The clinic has lack of storage space, lack of adequate medical supplies storage, is not an ADA accessible facility and has no trauma room which prevents the staff from providing to the Village an appropriate level of daily and emergency services according the Denali Commission sponsored "Code and Conditions" survey of the facility. This survey also indicated that the existing clinic has marginal insulation in the floors, walls and roof and is energy inefficient. Due to the above deficiencies and others, the "Code and Conditions" survey recommended that the existing clinic be replaced with a 2000 s.f. modern clinic following Denali Commission "clinic prototype" design and criteria. Since then, the Denali Commission has expended \$98,678 to complete a new clinic design.

As discussed above, the general lack of decent, modern clinic facility space in Venetie Village is hindering the performance of primary health care services and as a result, the health and welfare of Village residents is being harmed and threatened.

### **Future State Support**

Venetie Village Council (VVC) has not requested funding for this Project from the State in the past and if this CIP request is funded there will be no further requests to the State for this Project. VVC will utilize this \$150,000 CIP to meet the 20% cash match requirement of the Denali Commission's Primary Health Facilities Program and to obtain a \$140,170 Rasmuson grant.

## Project Timeline

	Project Period 2008 ----- 2009					
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
	Qtr	Qtr	Qtr	Qtr	Qtr	Qtr
	JAS	OND	JFM	AMJ	JAS	OND
Denali Commission Grant	X					
Fire Marshal Approval		X				
Rasmuson grant approved		X				
Materials delivery				X		
Foundation installation				X		
Exterior Construction				X-----X		
Project interior completion					X-----X	
Furnishings/equipment installed					X---X	
Project start-up						X
Final report to Denali Commission and State						X
A-133 Audit Completed						X

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We have been planning for a new  
Clinic for several years. design is in  
place. Business plan is being scheduled

Wish you success in obtaining these  
funds for us. Have a good day

Eddie